

# BILL TO GIVE B. R. T. EAST SIDE PROPERTY

It Also Presents to the Railroad Company, the \$4,000,000 That the City Spent on Improvements in Delancey Street.

(Special to The Evening World.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Of all the "grab" bills that have appeared so far this session the little measure presented by Senator Drexler, of Brooklyn, has been awarded first prize. The origin of it is unknown, but a good guess would be that a good lawyer had a finger in it.

The whole east side of New York from the Bowery to Grand street ferry is up in arms over it, because, in the language of one of them, the measure "don't do a single thing, except give most of New York to the Brooklyn road."

The label of the bill would seem to indicate that the B. R. T. was really giving Manhattan something; and in a way it does—"the rinky dink," to also quote the east sider. When the bill is properly dissected it shows that the real purpose of it is to present to the B. R. T. the \$4,000,000 spent by the city, plus the land embraced in the Delancey street widening, by transferring it to the control of the Commissioner of Bridges and permitting him to lease it to the B. R. T. for a "straddle-bug" railway to be operated above a lane of warehouses like that on the east side of the river.

The most attractive feature of the proposition is that the Commissioner of Bridges was not consulted about the matter. He has written Mayor McChesney that he not only knows nothing about the scheme, but he is opposed to it.

The title and control of the Delancey street parkway is now vested in the Department of Highways, from which the B. R. T. bill proposes to take it because it would not be able to secure control and use of the street if it remained in the Highway branch of the city government.

To Explode the Scheme

The whole scheme will be exploded when the Senate Civils Committee holds a meeting next week to absorb the opinions of a big delegation of east side property owners who will come up to speak their piece. The New York City Railroad (Metropolitan) was suspected of having a finger in the deal, but there is no doubt that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit would come in for the biggest slice of the pie if the Legislature would pass the bill.

The State Department of Excise is a wonderful and fearful institution. It raises more than \$12,000,000 revenue for the State, and is the subject of more trouble and legislation than all the other departments put together. The nominal head of it is Patrick W. Cullinan, who comes from somewhere in the wilderness of Oswego County, and who was brought on earth by "Napoleon" Stranahan, famous as the man who got a good job because of his resemblance to the great French warrior.

Stranahan turned Cullinan over to "Buckwheel John" Raines, the creator of the Raines sandwich law. Now Raines practically runs the department, because Cullinan is of the meek sort. He may know all about his department, and inferentially does, or he would not be there, but he manages to keep all he knows to himself. He appears to resent any request for information, as if his own private affairs were the subject of the inquiry, and unless such a request is backed up with the "O. K." of Raines the result is likely to be unsatisfactory.

Raines has full sway. Raines exercises almost absolute sway over the department, and he uses it in such a way as to compel recognition of his demands from the Governor, or any of the other bosses. Some of the smaller fry Republican leaders have discovered this fact on several occasions when they attempted to get anything from the Excise Department, but

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# 'BUILD LOOPS!' CRY CITIZENS

Board of Estimate Asked to Act Quickly to Relieve Congestion at Manhattan End of the New Bridge.

Stirred by The Evening World's exposure of the disgraceful congestion at the Manhattan end of the Williamsburg Bridge, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to-day took up the question of relief there at a public meeting of the Board held in the old council chamber of the City Hall.

The State Railroad Board has advised the city officials of the urgent necessity for a temporary covered loop terminal.

A large delegation from the Allied Boards of Trade of Brooklyn appeared before the Board of Estimate to-day and appealed for quick relief from the crowding and exposure to which 30,000 citizens are daily subjected.

Cornelius M. Sheehan, Chairman of the Transit Committee of the Twenty-eighth Ward Board of Trade, was the chief spokesman for the Brooklynites.

"Mr. Mayor," he said, "we desire to enter a formal complaint to your board, which represents the city and borough governments, against the conditions which prevail at the Manhattan end of the Williamsburg Bridge, and we are here to suggest a simple plan for immediate temporary relief."

"First—We complain that this bridge, which cost the city \$20,000,000, is at present practically useless.

"Second—We complain that though this bridge has been officially open for fourteen months it has been used for railroad traffic for only four months.

"Third—The stub terminal in Manhattan congests traffic and renders its use at rush hours uncertain and dangerous.

"Fourth—It limits the car capacity to one-third the full car capacity of the tracks used by the Brooklyn companies.

"Fifth—The city took title to and possession of ten blocks on Delancey street May 12, 1904, for the purpose of using the space as an approach to the bridge. Sixty-six out of the ten blocks have been filled in, and even these have not been put in condition for use.

"We recommend that as a temporary relief, loop terminals and shelter stations be built on Delancey street, and that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company and the Coney Island and Brooklyn Company be requested to use the same as soon as completed.

"We ask that in the event that either or both of these companies neglect to avail themselves of this invitation, the Bridge Commissioner be directed by your board to avail himself of the power given him under the decision of Justice Madox and remove their cars from the bridge.

"Mr. Mayor, we have been a patient and long-suffering community; but the limit of endurance has almost been reached. The seven hundred thousand residents of the Eastern District of Brooklyn now look to you for relief. The time for splitting hairs over the question as to whose duty it is to right this wrongful condition of affairs has passed.

Other members of the Allied Boards appealed for quick relief. It was pointed out to Mayor McChesney, Comptroller Groun and Borough President Ahearn that by simply putting one or two loops under a temporary shelter, on vacant land already owned by the city at Clinton and Delancey streets, the carrying capacity of the Williamsburg Bridge would be immediately doubled.

Prof. Raymond Will Talk To-Night at Wadleigh High School.

Prof. Jerome H. Raymond, of the University of Chicago, who has been delivering two courses of lectures on Friday and Saturday evenings under the auspices of the free lecture bureau of the Board of Education on "European Capitals and Their Social Significance," will close the course at Wadleigh High School to-night with a lecture on "London." The course at Cooper Institute will end to-morrow night.

### SHERLOCK HOLMES.

Of course you're reading "The Return of Sherlock Holmes." Remember, "The Adventure of the Norwood Builder," second story of the series will appear in to-morrow's Evening World.

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## Outer Garments for Men

At Extremely Reduced Prices.

At the fag end of the season our one objective point is to be rid of every garment designed for its service, let the penalty be what it may. To that end our entire stock of winter garments has been subjected to generous price reductions.

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We present pailot, tourist, paddock and box models of excellent imported and domestic fabrics, which did cost \$40.00 and \$43.00, at \$30.00; those that were \$28.00 and \$30.00 are now \$20.00, and the \$20.00 and \$22.50 coats you may have at \$15.

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Include single and double breasted sack models of all manner of high-grade materials, which have suffered even greater price-reductions—those that were \$35.00 and \$38.00 are now \$25.00; those that were \$25.00, \$28.00 and \$30.00 are now \$20.00, and the \$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.50 suits are now \$13.50.

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FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

## An Important Sale of High Grade Scarfs for Men

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FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

## A Sale of Garments for Girls

At Greatly Reduced Prices.

Junior Tailor-made Suits, of plain chevrot, in blue or brown, coat model, sizes 12, 14 and 16 years.

Formerly \$17.50 and \$19.00, at \$12.75.

Misses' Separable Skirts, of plain or mixed fabrics, 27 to 35 inches.

Formerly \$2.50 to \$3.50, at \$1.95.

Formerly \$3.90 to \$4.95, at \$2.95.

Girls' Sailor Blouse Suits, of chevrot, in blue, black, brown or red, trimmed with braid and large collar and silk tie, sizes 6 to 12 years.

Value \$5.50, at \$3.50.

Misses' Shirt Waist Suits, of chevrot, in black, blue or brown, with plaited waist and skirt, trimmed with braid and deep leather belt, sizes 14 to 18.

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Children's Russian Dressers of white pique, box-plaited model, sizes 6 to 14 years.

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Very stylish skirts of excellent Mixtures and Broadcloths, made in flounce and side plaited effects. Very specially priced.

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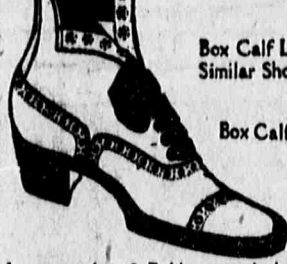
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DOUBLE BREASTED JACKET SUITS: carefully made of strong wearing materials: blue, black, fancy mixtures and overplaids; sizes 7 to 16 years.

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